COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

EAS AGREEMENT SIGNED BETWEEN)	
GEARHEART COMMUNICATIONS D/B/A)	CASE NO.
COALFIELDS TELEPHONE COMPANY AND)	2008-00353
SOUTHEAST TELEPHONE, INC.)	

ORDER

On August 27, 2008, Gearheart Communications d/b/a Coalfields Telephone Company and SouthEast Telephone, Inc. submitted to the Commission their request for expedited approval of an agreement for facilities-based network interconnection for the mutual exchange of traffic. The agreement was negotiated pursuant to the Telecommunications Act of 1996, 47 U.S.C. §§ 251 and 252.

The Commission has reviewed the agreement and finds that no portion of the agreement discriminates against a telecommunications carrier not a party to the agreement. The Commission also finds that the implementation of this agreement is consistent with the public interest, convenience and necessity.

The Commission, having been otherwise sufficiently advised, HEREBY ORDERS that the request of Gearheart Communications d/b/a Coalfields Telephone Company and SouthEast Telephone, Inc. for expedited approval of their proposed interconnection agreement is granted effective the date of this Order.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 3rd day of October, 2008.

By the Commission

Chairman Armstrong Abstains.

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